

THE WHEEL OF FORTUNE.

DRAWING OF THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC GIFT SCHEME.

Scenes in the Building—A Slim Crowd—How the Drawing was Managed—A Fair and Square Plan—The Big Prizes and the Lucky Numbers, &c., &c., &c.

The anxiously awaited drawing of the prizes offered by the South Carolina Land and Immigration Association began, as appointed, at eight o'clock yesterday morning. A majority of the managers were present, and we are able to say, from personal knowledge and observation, that the despoiling of the tickets and the drawing itself were conducted with a scrupulous fairness, which made any collusion, to the injury of the ticket-holders, absolutely impracticable. To those who know the gentlemen who, from the beginning, have controlled the affairs of the association, this assurance may seem unnecessary; but the plan of the drawing has been advertised throughout the United States, and we deem it only proper to declare that the distribution has been managed in such a way that every person has had an equal chance of winning a prize. Every check and security which could be suggested has been adopted, and we have a right to say that the whole affair has been managed in a way which should satisfy the most capricious loser. It is a square drawing, whose only fault is that all the ticket-holders cannot take the capital prize. We give officially the number of the tickets which win the prizes of \$1000 and over, and hope to publish, when the drawing ends, an official list of all the winning numbers.

At 8 o'clock yesterday morning the doors of the Academy were thrown open, and the ticket-holders began to enter, slowly at first, but in silence, as if awed by the chilly solitude of the place which they were accustomed to behold brilliantly lighted up and echoing to the noisy plaudits of the audience. It was still enough now, and the sober change seemed to portend the chance which might soon befall the structure. The thinly scattered spectators eyed each other askance and scanned the decorations of the beautiful Temple of the Drama with a newly-awakened interest. The delightful possibility of becoming its proprietor, at one turn of the wheel, kept rising in their minds, and gave a pleasant coloring to their thoughts. On one of the front rows of the orchestra chairs sat an old gentleman from an upper district. He had anticipated a great rush for seats, and was seen hanging around the door a little after daybreak in his primitive black felt and domestic suit. His seat commanding a full view of the stage, and within easy hearing, he never abandoned it during the whole day, and as each number was called he would scan, with anxious care and all-absorbing interest, a number of tickets which he held in his hand. He gave no signs of having been in luck, and never looked around except when he was wiping his silver spectacles in the corner of his handkerchief. Near him sat an old lady, whose bolt upright position and sternly compressed lips gave one the idea that she was continually about to leap up to a fearful height in the air and give vent to a fearful scream. She never looked to the right or to the left, but watched the wheels intently. It was plain that she had but a single number and knew every figure in it by heart. Luckily for the crowd it never came out, or the services of the corner might have been necessary. The seats were thinly peopled, but on every countenance the same expression of eager interest could be detected.

Generals M. C. Butler and M. W. Gary, and John Chadwick, Esq., made their appearance a little after eight, and the commissioners, Colonel Benj. H. Badger and C. N. Suber, being present, the important business was begun. On the right of the stage was mounted the big wheel for the one hundred and fifty thousand numbers. The one ordered from Baltimore by the Sea Gull had been repudiated, and the one used was made to order in this city. It was "a big thing," being about five feet in diameter, eighteen inches through, and being turned by large spokes on an iron axle. The numbers from 1 to 150,000 were brought out upon the stage in three trucks and a box. These were inspected by the commissioners and a large number of the audience who came forward by request for the purpose. A large tin funnel was then placed in the square door of the big wheel and the numbers were then rapidly shovelled in. They were neatly printed on red slips of pasteboard, with a star on one end to denote the right of the long numbers.

The small wheel which had been obtained the occasion from the Charleston Charitable Association, was mounted on the left of the stage. In this were placed 2400 slips of paper, each having the value of the prize it represented neatly printed upon it in large red letters. The slips were rolled up tightly in cigar cases, and were inspected by the commissioners as they were placed in the wheel. At this wheel stood a blind man who was retained to draw the prizes out.

At the prompter's stand, still further to the left, Messrs. Carl, Dibble and Goodrich, acted as clerks, and wrote down the lucky numbers and the prizes as they were drawn. Next Mr. D. A. Sullivan called aloud the numbers drawn, and Captain Melchers, assisted by Mr. Robert S. Frigie, did the same for the prizes. Near by in the rear sat the commissioners and the members of the firm of Butler, Chadwick, Gary & Co.

Everything being now in readiness, the work began, and was conducted as follows: The big wheel was revolved swiftly several times, and having been stopped, with the little door uppermost, a small, blind-folded boy, perched upon a stand near it, inserted his arm and drew forth a number. It was handed to Mr. Sullivan, who, with stentorian voice, proclaimed it to the audience. While this was going on, the smaller wheel had been revolved, a prize had been drawn out by the blind man and was opened by Captain Melchers, who gave it to the audience emphatically, like the word of command. The number and its prize were duly entered by the clerks, and so on from the beginning again.

At first the excitement was intense, and "the boldest held their breath," lest the Academy or the \$100,000 prize should come tumbling up to some unexpected number. There were 2400 prizes to be drawn, however, and the audience, which was still small, began to take things coolly as they heard the smaller prizes of \$10, \$25 and \$50, and being each other in quick succession. The first \$100 prize caused some sensation, but suddenly No. 1919 was called, and as a prize of \$1000 was announced, a subdued buzz ensued similar to that occasioned by the sounding of the dinner bell on board of a crowded steamboat. Things went on quietly and easily until several \$500 and \$1000 prizes had been drawn, and No. 94796 was pulled out. "Don't all look at your tickets at once," says the teller. A \$10,000 prize is announced, and the audience shudder and sigh like a nervous person under a shower-bath.

The drawing now assumed a duller aspect, and but little occurred to disturb the monotonous rattling of the wheel and sporadic announcement of the result. During the after-

noon the house improved in numbers, and, becoming impatient, several objections were made by persons from the audience to the manner in which the big wheel was manipulated. Every effort was made by the managers to satisfy such objections as were made in a becoming spirit, but those which seemed to emanate from a spirit of fault-finding were silenced at once.

Late in the afternoon when every particle of excitement had vanished and the audience were drowsy, the number 120296 was announced. "ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS!" says Captain Melchers in an emphatic manner, and the audience started as if they had been seated on a galvanic battery. "Call that number again please," and 120296 resounded once more along the empty gallery, and echoed back from Mount Royal in a most startling manner. Tickets were pulled out and examined up and down, sideways and all around; but figures, they say, won't lie, and the tickets were replaced, as a hundred bright air castles were crashing down in dismal disappointment.

But talking about your castles, the Academy is to come yet, and the spectators take heart again. The gas has been lighted from an hundred jets and chandeliers, and the Academy looks as bright and splendid as fairy land. Who would not win such a prize? A fine band has been engaged for the "concert," and every available seat and all the standing room is filled as the sweet strains are heard. A short hour's interval of music and refreshments is to come yet, and the spectators take heart again. The gas has been lighted from an hundred jets and chandeliers, and the Academy looks as bright and splendid as fairy land. Who would not win such a prize? A fine band has been engaged for the "concert," and every available seat and all the standing room is filled as the sweet strains are heard. A short hour's interval of music and refreshments is to come yet, and the spectators take heart again.

There was but little left now to get into a fever about, and crowds take their leave. There are fifteen hundred numbers more to be drawn, however, and the officials keep stoutly at the work, from which all the excitement has for them long since worn away. The drawing was kept up until twenty minutes after eleven o'clock, when General Butler announced that the operations would be discontinued until morning. A committee from the remaining spectators was then requested to stay and watch the wheels during the night at the Academy, and the holes in each through which the numbers and prizes were drawn having been securely sealed, the crowd quietly dispersed to talk the matter over. The drawing will be resumed at eight o'clock this morning.

The following is an official list of the prizes of \$1000 and over which were drawn during the day and of the numbers drawing them:

191919	\$1,000
27213	1,000
31782	1,000
40493	1,000
47476	1,000
93231	1,000
94796	10,000
100214	1,000
116024	Academy of Music
119936	1,000
120296	\$100,000

Meetings This Day.

Stockholders People's National Bank, at 12 M.
Chamber of Commerce, at 2 P. M.
Charleston Library Society, at 1 P. M.
Carolina Chapter, at 7 P. M.
Charleston Light Dragoons, at half past 7 P. M.

Survivors' Association, at half-past 7 P. M.
St. Patrick's Benevolent Society, at 8 P. M.
Charleston Mount Mailed Club, at 7 P. M.
Journymen Mechanics' Union, at 7 P. M.

Auction Sales This Day.

Wm. McKay will sell at 10 o'clock, at his store, furniture, &c.
Leitch & Bruns will sell at 11 o'clock, at the old Postoffice, real estate.
R. M. Marshall & Brother will sell at 11 o'clock, at the east end of Broad street, real estate.

Wardlaw & Carew will sell at 11 o'clock, in front of Postoffice, stocks and bonds.
John G. Milnor & Co. will sell at 10 o'clock, at their store, clothing, hats, &c.
Jeffords & Co. will sell at 9 o'clock, at their store, strips, hams, &c.
Henry Cobia & Co. will sell at half-past 9 o'clock, at their store, shoulders, sugar, &c.
Laurey & Alexander will sell at 10 o'clock, at their store, hams, butter, &c.
Steffens, Werner & Ducker will sell at 9 o'clock, at their store, butter, cheese, &c.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.—The attention of the members of the Chamber is invited to the call for a special meeting at two P. M. to-day.

THE RACES.—Good sport is expected at the Race Course to-day. Wilson's four-horse omnibus will furnish transportation for the spectators. See advertisement.

ANOTHER MASQUERADE IN PROSPECT.—The lovers of fun and the dance will be glad to learn that the German Schutzengesellschaft will give their grand annual masquerade on 8th of February.

IMPORTANT ELECTIONS.—City Council at its meeting this evening will elect a city registrar, orphanhouse physician, city physicians and High School supervisors. Applications for these positions should be filed in the office of the clerk of Council before two P. M.

St. Mary's Church.—The following gentlemen were elected, on Sunday last, vestrymen of this church for the ensuing year: B. Riols, Dr. J. P. Chazal, C. P. Almar, A. St. Amant, H. Z. Laurey, E. Polignoneau, G. A. Follin and P. J. Barbot.

WEEK OF PRAYER.—Services may be expected at the lecture room of the Circular Church this (Tuesday) afternoon, at four o'clock. The exercises will be conducted by Rev. L. H. Shack and Rev. W. S. Bowman. All are invited. Subject: Humiliation for sin, personal and public.

RUNAWAY AND SMASH-UP.—The horse attached to one of the wagons of the Singer Sewing Machine Company ran off about six o'clock last evening, causing Mr. Ojpebeck, who occupied a seat therein, to jump from the vehicle. Mr. Buck, who was driving, kept at his post, but was finally thrown out. No serious injury was done to either. The wagon, however, was badly damaged.

A TERRIBLE RECOLL.—Yesterday morning Adam Washington, a colored man working on a plantation in St. John's Parish, about forty miles from the city, on the Northeastern Railroad, had his left leg broken by the recoil of a tree which he had just cut down. He neglected to move off a sufficient distance, and the tree striking the ground rebounded as usual and hit him on the leg, breaking both bones. He was brought to the city on the Northeastern train in the afternoon and lodged at the City Hospital. His wounds received prompt attention, and every effort is being made to save his limb.

See First Page for Other Locals.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

DRY GOODS AT LOW PRICES.—Messrs. Stoll, Webb & Co. have just opened a large and choice lot of dress goods which they offer at the lowest prices. Their stock is one of the largest and most varied in the South, comprising poplins, delaines, French merinos, satteens, empress cloths, &c., all of which have been marked down to prices within the reach of every one. Call at No. 287 King street, and see how far a little money can be made to go.

AN ARTICLE OF TRUE MERIT.—"Brown's Bronchial Trochee" are the most popular article in this country or Europe for Throat Diseases and Coughs, and this popularity is based upon real merit.

"WHAT AN IMMENSE BUSINESS the Singer Sewing Machine Company must be doing. I think they have taken five Machines per hour to-day." "Yes, they certainly are doing a very large business. A great many of my friends have the Singer, and all say they give entire satisfaction."

THE LARGEST, cheapest and best made Stock, Doors, Windows and Blinds, &c., to be had in the South. A good 3x7 inch and 4 door, for \$3.20; a pair of 8x10 Windows, with Blinds to match, all complete, with hinges and fastenings, &c., ready for hanging, \$3.40. Call and examine before purchasing elsewhere. I. H. HALL & Co., corner East Bay and Market streets, Charleston, S. C. Send for price list.

LADIES' White, Black, Light and Dark Colored Kid Gloves, superior French manufacture, at one (\$1) dollar, just received at J. R. READ'S.

COUNTRY AND CITY MERCHANTS would do well to call at No. 140 Meeting street, opposite Pavilion Hotel, and examine the large and varied stock of Dry and Fancy Goods which will be sold at auction to-morrow and Wednesday, by William McKay. The stock is really a fine and well assorted one, and has been shipped to this market to be sold for cash, regardless of price. The sale will commence at ten o'clock. Goods are now open for inspection.

JUST RECEIVED, the Christmas number of the London Illustrated News, with two Supplements and large Colored Plate. HASEL STREET BAZAAR and EAST BAY NEWS ROOM.

NOTICE.—The drawing of the South Carolina Land and Immigration Gift Concerts, as advertised, will commence on Monday morning, January 8th, at 8 o'clock, at the Academy of Music, under the supervision of the commissioners appointed for the purpose, and will be continued from day to day until completed.

Ticket-holders only will be admitted on exhibiting their tickets at the door. Members or subscribers to clubs can obtain cards of admission from the agents, E. Sebring & Co., and J. L. Moses, No. 34 Broad street. Country subscribers can procure cards of admission at the box office.

BUTLER, CHADWICK, GARY & Co.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.—We have just received one thousand boxes, each containing one quire of fine Note Paper and Envelopes to match, (without initial), also Penholders and Pen. Price 25 cents per box. Hasel Street Bazaar and East Bay News Room.

NOTICE TO TOURISTS.—Stereoscopic views of Charleston and vicinity for sale at the Hasel Street Bazaar.

TO BUSINESS MEN.—Save your money by purchasing your Blank Books at the East Bay News Room.

FURCHGOTT, BENEDICT & Co., No. 244 King street, invite the attention of the ladies to their elegant stock of Tulle, in all colors, which will be offered at greatly reduced prices. Cheilly's celebrated warranted Gloves only \$2. Jan 1

GREATEST BARGAINS ever offered at Furchgott, Benedict & Co.'s, No. 244 King street: Three cases of 4-4 Black Lustre Alpaca for only 25 cents; Fine Balmoral Skirts 75 cents. Jan 1

ONE DOLLAR WRITING DESKS.—Superior to any sold heretofore. HASEL STREET BAZAAR, and EAST BAY NEWS-ROOM. dec20

CHOCQUET! CHOCQUET!—The cheapest in the city. HASEL STREET BAZAAR. dec20

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SOLUBLE PACIFIC GUANO.

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Experience in the use of this GUANO for the past six years in this State, for Cotton and Corn, has so far established its character for excellence that we have had no hesitation in recommending it. In accordance with the established policy of the Company to furnish the best Concentrated Fertilizer at the lowest cost to consumers, this Guano is put into market this season at the above reduced price, which the Company is enabled to do by reason of its large facilities and the reduced cost of manufacture.

The supplies put into market this season are, as heretofore, prepared under the personal supervision of Dr. St. Julian RAYNESE, Chemist of the Company, at Charleston, S. C., hence planters may rest assured that its quality and composition is precisely the same as that heretofore sold.

At the present low price every acre planted can be fertilized with 200 pounds Guano at a cost not exceeding the present value of 30 pounds of cotton, while experience has shown that this Guano in favorable condition of season and cultivation, the crop is increased by the application from two to three-fold the natural capacity of the soil, hence no condition could its application fail to compensate for the outlay.

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It was introduced by this Company two years ago, and it has been so successful, that 200 to 250 pounds of this article per acre, properly composted with the same weight of cotton seed, furnishes the planter with a Fertilizer of the highest excellence at the smallest cost. A Compost prepared with this article, as by printed directions furnished, contains all the elements of fertility that can enter into a First-Class Fertilizer, while its economy must commend its liberal use to planters. For supplies and printed directions, for Composting, apply to J. N. ROSSON, Agent Pacific Guano Company, Nos. 65 East Bay and 1 and 2 Atlantic Wharf, Charleston, S. C. nov3-3mosad

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WE HAVE JUST OPENED A LARGE LOT OF CHEAP DRESS GOODS,

SOME OF THE VARIETIES FROM AUCTION, AND ARE AT VERY LOW PRICES.

We call special attention to 2000 yards ASSORTED POPLINS AND ALPACA LUSTRES, at 25 cents, worth 35 to 40 cents.

Also, a LARGE LOT OF DELAINES, very cheap, at the low prices of 15 and 20 cents: At 25 cents.

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TWENTY PIECES OF CHOICE COLORS IN FRENCH MERINOS,

RANGING IN PRICE FROM 75 CENTS TO \$1, AT STOLL, WEBB & CO.

A LARGE LOT OF SATTEENS, IN CLOTH COLORS,

ALSO, ALL THE OTHER SHADES, AT 60 TO 75 CENTS, AT STOLL, WEBB & CO.

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ALSO, A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF NEW CALICOES,

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THIS DAY, the 9th instant, will be sold in front

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10 bbls. S. C. Pig Hams

10 bbls. S. C. Pig Shoulders

15 lbs Butter

10 bbls. Smoked Beef

10 bbls. Extra Sugar-cured Strips.

Conditions cash. Jan 9

By HENRY COBIA & Co.

SHOULDERS, &c.

THIS DAY, at half-past 9 o'clock, we will

sell,

5000 yards BACON SHOULDERS

20 barrels Sugar

80 boxes Candles.

Conditions cash. Jan 9

By JEFFORDS & Co.

STRIPS, SHOULDERS, HAMS, BUT-

TER, &c.

This will be sold THIS DAY, in front of their Stores,

at 9 o'clock,

5000 pounds CHOICE STRIPS

400 Shoulders

50 boxes Choice S. C. Hams

100 lbs Butter

200 lbs Leaf Lard.

Jan 9

By STEFFENS, WERNER & DUCKER

WILL SELL, BEFORE THEIR STORES,

Vendue-stands, THIS DAY, at 9 o'clock,

50 bbls BUTTER

20 boxes Cheese